

## CAPITAL GROCERY

20 lbs. Finest Gran. Sugar...\$1 00  
28 lbs. Good Sugar..... 1 00  
16 lbs Pow'd or Cut Loaf... 1 00

Before you buy ask your grocer how many pounds he is giving, and you will find we give you 4 lbs. more for \$1.00, or a saving of 20 per cent.

We think we buy cheaper than most Grocer — Buy in larger quantities for cash, and while we never sell without a profit, we think you will save more by buying of us.

## ALMOST A GIFT.

Toilet Soap, per Cake..... 14 cts.  
Laundry Soap..... 2 "  
Bottle Blueing..... 2 "  
1 lb. Best Starch..... 3 1/2 "  
Best Fly Paper, per Sheet. 2 "  
10c Box Bird Seed..... 5 "  
3 Packages Yu. Gum..... 5 "  
1 Can Lye..... 4 "  
2 lb. Brick Codfish..... 5 "

## BUY NOW

7 Kirk's White Russian....\$ 25  
3 Good Parlor Brooms..... 1 00  
15 lbs. White Lard..... 1 00  
Lewis' Lye, Per Can..... 9  
Golden Rio Coffee..... 20  
Golden Java..... 20  
Mexican Coffee..... 20

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5 Cans Cal. Peaches..... 60 cts.  
5 " " Plums..... 60 "  
5 " " Pears..... 60 "  
5 " " Grapes..... 60 "  
1 lb. Can Baking Powder. 10 "  
Water Pan..... 10 "  
Fiber Pail..... 25 "  
Lunch Basket..... 5, 10, 15 20 "  
Kit White Fish..... 50 "

Capital Grocery always makes the Prices. If you don't trade with us, why don't you? It is money in your pocket, we turn our stock every week, goods never get stale on our shelves. Give us one order and we know you will be a regular customer thereafter.

Flour will go at the same old price, Saturday, 50 lbs. Shawnee County Flour 60c.

## An Argument

That will Convince.

IT IS THIS.

We are the only Exclusive

Carpet and Drapery House

IN THE CITY.

We carry one of the Largest Stocks

IN THE STATE.

Having increased our Stock nearly Double we are in a position to give you the very newest and choicest things direct from the Importers and Mills.

We have plenty of Light and Room to show our Goods and no stairs to climb.

Our Fall purchases are arriving daily, and without fear of contradiction we say it is the finest line of goods ever shown in this market.

The Prices Were Never so Low in the History of the Trade.

Do you think you can afford to purchase anything in the

## CARPET LINE

Without first seeing what

MILLS CAN DO FOR YOU.

If you are down town we would take great pleasure in Showing you through

## OUR STORE

and giving you an idea of the Latest Coloring and effects in Carpets, Draperies, Rugs, Upholstery.

Samples to out of town customers cheerfully furnished on application.

**H. H. MILLS & SON,**  
625 KANSAS AVENUE.

## COURT HOUSE CUTS

Now Adorn the Letter Heads of the County Officers' Stationery.

It may be a little premature, but the county officers were provided today with some new letter heads upon which is engraved a cut of the new Shawnee county court house. The cut, which is in the upper right hand corner, represents a massive building, with open carriage porch, and on the side walk are the omnipresent people always seen in a cut, a man with a plug hat and cane, shaking hands with a woman with a big bustle and parasol. There are also some other people lounging about, who are too well dressed for politicians.

Letters on this stationery will no doubt have a very impressive effect on people receiving them, if they have never seen in Topeka and have never seen the structure at the southwest corner of Fourth and Kansas avenue.

**Kansas Patents.**  
Patents granted to citizens of Kansas for the week ending August 7, 1894, reported through the office of J. F. Beale, solicitor of patents, 606 F street, N. W., Washington, D. C.: L. I. Blake, Lawrence, submarine signaling; J. W. Regier, Moundridge, band cutter and feeder; D. C. Rutto, Halstead, band cutter and feeder for thrashing machines.

**Republican Excursion**  
To Meriden Saturday, via A. T. & S. F., 9:30 a. m. Round trip, 40 cents. Return 6 o'clock.

It is as blessed to give as to receive—when you are out driving.

## GETTING READY FOR VETS.

Preparations at Pittsburg for the National G. A. R. Reunion.

Pittsburg, Aug. 10.—Preparations for the national G. A. R. reunion here are going rapidly forward. The committees started out to raise \$75,000, but they have so far only succeeded in getting \$48,000. The work of the committee on accommodations will increase from this time on, and Secretary O. M. Head is compelled to devote almost his entire time to receiving persons who are willing to entertain strangers during the encampment and noting their houses, terms, names, etc. The housewives of Pittsburg are coming to the front in large numbers, and it is estimated that the committee on accommodations has already booked offers of private quarters sufficient to accommodate 15,000 persons.

The work of erecting the designs for the electric illuminations on the hilltops has commenced. A Brooklyn contractor is now engaged in putting up the design on the side of Mt. Washington. Another illumination is to be placed on Monument Hill in Allegheny. Search lights are to be placed on Mt. Washington, Heron Hill, Duquesne Heights on the Carnegie building, and one is to be stationed at the corner of Fifth avenue and Grant street.

S. M. Scott, of Emporia, candidate for congress in the Fourth district, will speak at the Hamilton hall meeting next Monday evening. This is the same meeting at which H. B. Kelley will explain his reasons for leaving the Republican party.

## TEACHERS AFTER STRYKER

They Claim His Arithmetic Questions Are One of All Reasons.

The teachers of Kansas are complaining, and they think they have a right to. The cause of their trouble is the examination questions in arithmetic given out by the state board of education for the county tests July 27 and 28, and prepared by Prof. Wm. Stryker. There are some disappointed teachers who would like to pull his hair out by the roots, and some of them are bold enough to say the questions could have emanated from no one but a discredited pedant.

The examination was so difficult that in Dickinson county out of 123 who took it, 71 failed to pass sixty per cent in arithmetic. Out of the one hundred and sixty who applied for certificates in Lyon county ninety-one failed, and among them some of the best teachers in the county. Nearly all who failed, failed in arithmetic. There is complaint all over the state at the unreasonable difficulty of the questions as arithmetic questions; however, delightful mental gymnastics they be to a man who thinks in logic, and takes his food in conic sections. The teachers think that algebra has its place, and have no doubt that higher mathematics is very useful in computing such problems as, "If a man should go to school and college twelve years, how many would it take to teach him some practical sense," but for the ordinary workaday buying and selling world they think that the old fashioned arithmetic is good enough without any point lace trimmings.

Here are some of the questions:

A certain sum of money amounts to \$143.38 in 7 months, and to \$149.12 in 10 months; what were the principal and the rate?

A water trough is twice as long as it is deep, and twice as deep as it is wide. It holds 4,096 cubic yards. What are its dimensions, and how many barrels of water, 50 gallons each, will it hold? A horse is hitched to the corner post in a rectangular pasture. If he can graze over just one acre, how long is the rope?

They are easy of course, any of us can work them. In the first you simply find out how large a sum of money running at a certain per cent it would take to make the amount named; in the second all the work you have to do is to find out how long and how deep and how wide the water trough is while in the last you simply look the answer up in the book and work it backwards—as Prof. Stryker said. Everyone admits a man who has mental acumen and mathematical practicality sufficient to discover such questions by looking through all the arithmetics and algebras he ever heard of but they would just as lief had perished on the pons asinorum as to have any official connection with him.

One paper says: "It is said that Stryker, the member of the state examining board who usually selects the arithmetic questions for examinations, has requested that the names of those who apply for certificates and fail to pass should be sent to him so he can send them catalogues of his college at Great Bend." This is probably untrue, for it is not likely that a man of the broad scholarship of Prof. Stryker would care for such incompetent students at his institution. Besides, if the questions were really as hard as they seemed, the prospect would not be what is commonly termed peculiarly and irresistibly inviting.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Items of Interest About Topeka's People and Visitors to Town.

Miss Mary Colby gave a dancing party last evening in honor of her guest, Miss Thelma Brad of Beatrice, Nebraska. Japanese lanterns illuminated the lawn and the interior was bright with flowers; gay music and laughter filled the rooms, and the occasion was a merry one for Misses Nannie Vandegriff of Kansas City, Mary Sommers, Jeanette and Lucy Lord, Rebecca Rodgers, Hilda Hinkley, Emilie King, Lillian McFarland, Marion Garretson, Lucile Mulvane, Edna McClintock, Susan Gay, Gertrude Devereux, Bessie Hayden, Margaret Boat, Ida Davis, Helen Fitch, Marie Dixon, Helen Walker, Annie Nellis, Isabel Thompson, Roberta Akers, Florence Rossington, Mabel Daniels, Minnie Wolf, Helen Smith, Florence Hillyer, Mabel Chase, Louise Smith, Masters Guilford Dadiy, Dan Hammett, Seth Chase, Howard Alderson, Dave Sibley, George Chase, Everett Dallas, John McFarland, Will Wil-

dal, Torrence Ewart, Frank Shellabarger, DeCoursey Saxton, Kurtz Keilam, Charles Foulks, Tom Frost, Rowland Medlock, Leslie Guild and Louis Smith. Mr. Will Burton was surprised by a number of his friends at his home, 412 Crane street, last evening. Cards and dancing were the amusements, and refreshments were served to Misses Hanley, Boyle, Wright, Theresa and Mary Coggins, Lizzie and Annie Purcell, Hazen, Watson and Harwood; Messrs. Shahan, Hanly, Deegan, Mackey, Devitt, Walsh, Donovan, Beymer and Charles Nelson.

Mrs. B. E. Pitts entertained a few friends informally last evening at her home on Tyler street, for her cousin, Miss Belle Ashley, of Kansas City. Japanese lanterns burned brightly among the trees, and the lawn was invitingly cool. A serenade was one of the most enjoyable features of the evening, and the guests were Misses Nannie Hopkins, Blanch and Jessie Stewart, Jessie Garwood, Messrs. Elmer Brown, Fred Waters and J. K. Hall.

A few friends gathered at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Peers Tuesday evening in response to invitations from them, and had a delightful time. Ice cream and cake were served, and the gathering was dismissed with a dialect song by Dr. Peers, which was greatly appreciated.

Miss Mattie Brooks gave a delightful picnic at Garfield park yesterday afternoon in honor of her seventeenth birthday. The company consisted of fourteen young people, who enjoyed a picnic lunch and later went to the home of Miss Martha Hammond on Harrison street, where they played cards and danced.

Miss Mattie Welch will enter the young ladies seminary in Evanston, Ill., this fall.

Mr. Will Cox, of Hoyt, spent yesterday afternoon in Topeka.

Miss Amelia Snyder will leave Sunday for Manitou.

Fausto Hennessy, of Colorado Springs, will arrive next month to spend the winter with Miss Florence Lewis.

Mrs. Louisa McKenzie, who has been spending the summer with her parents at Holton, is expected home Sunday.

Miss Alice Scott will entertain a few friends at dinner this evening.

O. O. Osborne is in Clay Center.

Frank Patterson is in Manitou.

Miss Florence Lewis will go to Ottawa soon for a month's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. McCray and daughter Lena will go to St. Louis the latter part of the month.

Kora McCay and Sue Stevenson left today for Manitou to be gone a month.

Mrs. I. A. Lauck and two sons spent yesterday in Kansas City.

Miss Trissa Greenwood will go to Garrett tomorrow for a visit of two weeks.

Miss Nannie Vandegriff, of Kansas City, is the guest of Miss Emilie King. She will go to Atchison tomorrow.

Miss Edith Loder, of Lawrence, is the guest of Miss Daisy Sampson.

Mrs. H. E. Overhol, Mrs. Schuyler Nichols, Mrs. W. W. Webb and Mrs. S. L. Seabrook have gone to Eagle Springs for a week.

Miss Jennie West has gone to Denver.

Miss Alice Church, who has been the guest of Miss Sarella Knox, has returned to Kansas City.

Mrs. Jos. Shearer has gone to Washington, D. C., to visit her father.

Miss Willie Tomlinson has returned from a visit in Herington.

Miss Jennie Simmons will return tomorrow from Atchison.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Lange and daughter May have returned from Manitou.

Prof. C. D. Hudson will give a dancing party at Vinewood, Thursday evening.

Misses Carrie and Maud Sproat of Carbondale are the guests of Misses Lotta and Mabel Wyatt.

Miss Franc Littlefield has returned from a visit in Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Walter Horner entertained half a dozen ladies yesterday for Mrs. Morgan Hamilton of Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Hilton, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Poole and Miss McCay are home after spending ten days camping in near Soldier creek.

Miss Blanch Stewart will entertain Saturday afternoon for Miss Belle Ashley.

Mrs. Howard D. Tucker of Eureka is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spar in Highland park.

Dr. Eggleston of the Santa Fe dispensary, has returned from his vacation, and is again at work. He has been in Idaho for the past two weeks.

Miss Anna Whitlock of the Santa Fe freight department, left for Chicago today to visit a short time.

J. N. Haddock of the Santa Fe freight auditor's office, has gone to Chicago with Mr. Haddock.

E. G. Clark of the office of the auditor of passenger receipts of the Santa Fe, is in Denver for his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Sim, Mr. and Mrs. W. Phelps, Mrs. Frank Sim and children, Misses Della Young, Edith Campbell and Jessie Griffith, and Mr. Frank Evans have returned from the Jones farm near Willard, where they have been

for the past week. The facilities for fishing and bathing are excellent there, and the surrounding country is picturesque and affords a delightful picnic grounds. The whole party is enthusiastic over the trip.

Miss Belle Jones will spend Sunday with Mrs. E. T. Sim.

Miss Ida Nelson entertained twenty friends last evening at her home on Monroe street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Sutton and son have gone to Chicago.

Mrs. A. R. Lingafelt will entertain a few friends this evening for her guests, the Misses Allen of Chicago. They are en route to Colorado.

Miss Jessie Griffith of Kansas City will be the guest of Mrs. E. T. Sim next week.

H. L. Shirer has gone to New York and Boston to spend about three weeks.

Miss Julia Whitmer entertained her Sunday School class yesterday afternoon at Vinewood.

Geo. Morrison of Urbana, O., is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Frank Sim.

A. M. Collett has returned to Emporia.

Mrs. J. K. Lemon and daughter Grace have returned from Kansas City.

Mrs. T. S. Mason is quite ill.

Mrs. A. R. Lingafelt will leave in a few days for Colorado to spend a week.

Schuyler Nichols has gone to Chicago.

Miss Daisy Smith will leave tomorrow for Colorado to spend her vacation.

## LOCAL MENTION.

J. C. Blanchard, special agent of the general land office, has gone to Lincoln, Nebraska.

Manager Blood of the Santa Fe eating house at Kinsley, has been replaced by a Mr. Adams.

C. L. Wood has returned from his visit, and has taken his position as day clerk at the National.

Street Commissioner D. C. Naylor was in Silver Lake yesterday attending the funeral of a relative.

The Modoc club has moved its headquarters from the third story of the Stevens block to a nice room in the third story of the Masonic building.

The Associated Charities will hold a meeting at Library hall on next Wednesday, to discuss plans to take care of the poor during the coming winter.

The Modoc club will go to the Baxter Springs G. A. R. reunion on the 8th and will stay four days camping. About twenty of the members expect to go.

Superintendent of Construction W. E. Daugherty of the Rock Island, has returned from a trip to Fort Worth, Texas. He was accompanied by Robert McKeene of the general superintendent's office.

Both passenger and freight business is picking up on both the Santa Fe and Rock Island. The Santa Fe is now averaging three hundred and fifty cars of freight a day into the Argentine yards from the west.

The Santa Fe officials declare that the kick about the irregular train service on the Wichita and Western is uncalled for. They say they have a mixed train on that road each way once a day and that is all the business of the road will warrant.

Deputy United States Marshal Leon DeBost is in the city today. He has just returned from western Kansas where he rode 75 miles on horseback to serve some papers, and as a consequence he is suffering from inflammatory rheumatism.

Major Anderson is making big preparations to make the trip of the Masons to Fort Riley on Thursday a most pleasant one. The number will necessarily be limited to three hundred. The Modoc club will go along and furnish the music.

Cooper & White of Abilene, lost two full cars of cattle in the Rock Island wreck at Alma, 57 head. Several head were crippled in the other four cars they were shipping. Eight cars were wrecked on the train. The road will pay the damages.

The Women's Progressive Political league will have another one of its open air meetings next Wednesday night at the corner of Eleventh and Washington streets. This meeting will be addressed by G. C. Clemens and E. E. Chesney, the Populist candidate for county attorney.

Chairman Beck and Mr. Wilson of the committee of the high school board, were shown through the high school property yesterday by Beavers & Martineau. The work so far as they could discern was faultless. The official inspection by the board will be held some time next week.

It is not probable that a large number of the Topeka members of the G. A. R. will take in the state reunion at Hutchinson which begins next Tuesday. The times are too hard. A veteran who is in a position to judge says that not more than forty or fifty will go in all, and they will go singly.

Mrs. Mary E. Lease says that she will leave shortly for the Pacific coast. She feels that she is not strong, and expresses the fear that she will not be able to do much before fall. She is troubled with her lungs as a result of her recent serious illness at Olathe, and her left hand is useless on account of rheumatism.

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The only way to know whether goods are as advertised is to try a sample order. Because you've always paid more than you find quoted here is no reason that you should assume these goods are not up to the your standard of merit. We guarantee both quality and weight, and refund money at any time that goods fail to please.

80 lbs. Brown Sugar.....\$1 03  
2 lbs. New California Evaporated Apples..... 25  
Ginger Snaps, per lb..... 5  
Best Soda Crackers, per lb..... 6  
Soda Crackers, per lb by box..... 4  
2 lbs. Full Cream Cheese..... 25  
5 lbs. Carolina Rice..... 25  
4 lbs. White Lard..... 25  
Dry Salt Bacon, per lb..... 8  
California Hams, per lb..... 9  
4 cans Condensed Milk..... 25  
3 lbs. cans California Grapes..... 10  
7 pkgs. Babbitts 1775 powder..... 25  
7 lbs. Gloss Starch..... 25  
7 lbs. Navy Beans..... 25  
5 lbs. Lima Beans..... 25  
Large pail Mackerel..... 60  
3 good Brooms..... 25  
6 lbs. California Raisins..... 25  
2 gallon pail Sugar Syrup..... 45  
1 box Coconut Oil Soap, 12 cakes..... 20  
5 pkgs. Cleaned Currants..... 25  
2 cans Salmon..... 25  
6 cans Oil Sardines..... 25  
1 can best Sliced Pineapple..... 10  
2 sals. Table Salt..... 5  
1 lb. good Mixed Tea..... 25  
Corn Beef, per can..... 10  
5 lb. can Lard..... 25  
10 lb. can Lard..... 65  
Arkansas Coffee, per pkg..... 25  
5 lbs. Japan Tea siftings..... 25  
7 bars White Russian Soap..... 25  
Corn Starch, per pkg..... 6

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Furniture, Carpets and Stoves sold on time.

Forty Wagons

To carry excursionists from Meriden to Grove, free. Round trip, 40 cents. Barbecued beef, etc. Take a well filled basket.

E. W. Hoek-B. H. Clever.

Meriden, Saturday. Excursion on Santa Fe, 9:30 a. m. Round trip, 40 cents.

Rudy's Pile Suppository is guaranteed to cure Piles and Constipation, or money refunded. 50 cents per box. Send stamp for circular and free sample to Martin Rudy, Lancaster, Pa. For sale by all first-class druggists, and in Topeka by W. H. Kennedy, corner Fourth and Kansas avenue.